

The purpose of the weekly *Influenza Watch* is to summarize current influenza activity in San Diego County.

Influenza Surveillance in San Diego County The current volume of influenza detections reported to Public Health has been at expected levels. During the current season, reported influenza detections have included influenza A/H3 (seasonal), influenza A/H1N1 (2009 pandemic), influenza B, influenza A (un-typed), and influenza A/B (type not specified).

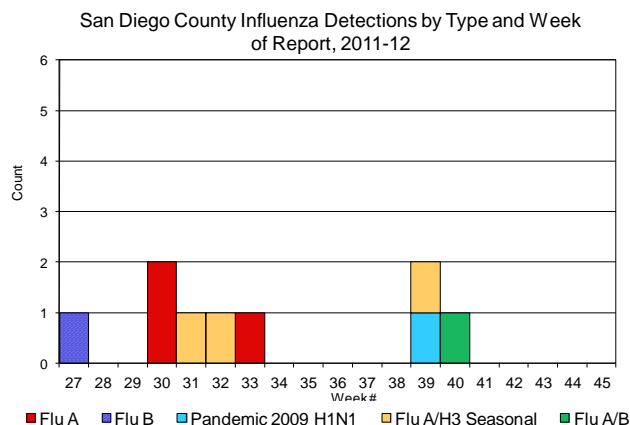
Current: Week 40 (ending 10/8/2011)

- 1 new influenza (unspecified type) reported
- Emergency department influenza-like-illness (ILI) visits: *Expected levels*

Influenza Cases Reported, FY 2011-12 (July 1, 2011 - present)

Positive Test Type/Subtype	New Reports	Total To-Date
Influenza A*	0	3
Influenza A (H1) Seasonal	0	0
Influenza A (H3) Seasonal	0	3
Pandemic 2009 H1N1	0	1
Influenza B	0	1
Influenza A/B*	1	1
Total	1	9

*no further characterization performed or results not available at time of publication.



Surveillance Indicator	FY 2011-12			FY 2010-11		Prior 3-Year Average**	
	Week 40	Week 39	Total To-Date	Week 40	Total To-Date	Week 40	Total To-Date
New influenza reports (all types)*	1	2	9	3	24	101	775
Percent of emergency department visits for ILI	1%	1%		2%		3%	
Percent of deaths registered with pneumonia and/or influenza	5%	5%		6%		9%	

FY=Fiscal year, July 1-June 30

* including rapid and confirmed results

** includes FYs 2008-09, 2009-10, and 2010-11

Influenza Detection Reporting

Local healthcare providers are encouraged to report all positive influenza detections to the Epidemiology Program by FAX to **(858) 715-6458**. Fax a confidential morbidity report ([CMR](#)) or printed patient laboratory result. If known, please indicate if patient was admitted to ICU or died.

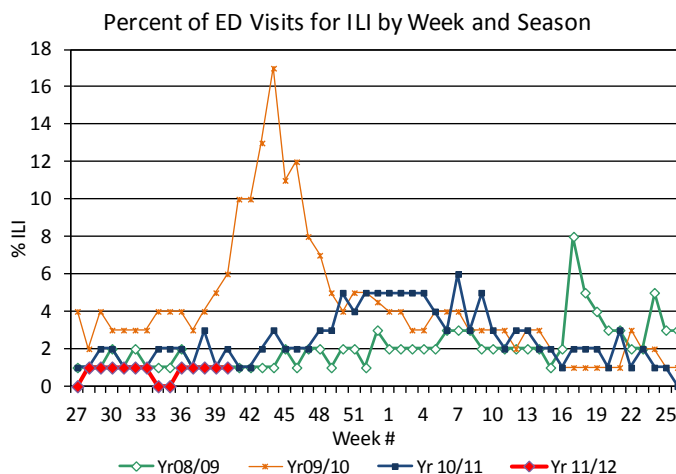
Additional Resources

Find vaccination locations in San Diego: www.sdiz.org

Request educational materials (providers):

www.sdiz.org/catalog/catalog.asp

CA Department of Public Health (Flu): www.cdph.ca.gov



Influenza surveillance is a collaborative effort between San Diego County Public Health Services' Epidemiology and Immunization Services Branch and the medical community.

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